REMARKS

The specification has been amended to include SEQ ID numbers which were omitted at the time of filing. Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the specification by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned "**Version With Markings To Show Changes Made.**"

The undersigned hereby states that the computer readable form copy (CRF copy) of the Sequence Listing and the paper copy of the Sequence Listing, submitted in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.825(a) and (b), respectively, are the same and contain no new matter. Accordingly, entry of the Sequence Listing into the above-captioned case is respectfully requested.

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Respectfully submitted,

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

In the Specification:

Paragraph [58] beginning at page 21 has been amended as follows:

S. erythraea K97-71 contains a chromosomal deletion of the three *eryA* genes and insertion of the *xylE* gene from *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* in their place in the chromosome. To make this strain, plasmid pKOS97-49b was first constructed as follows. Two fragments flanking the *eryA* genes were PCR amplified from *S. erythraea* genomic DNA using the following primers (*Sph*I, *Hin*dIII, *Bam*H I, and *Eco*RI restriction sites are underlined):
eryAI left flank, forward:

5'-TTTGCATGCGGCCACGCGCACGTCGTGACC (SEQ ID NO:1),

eryAI left flank, reverse:

5'-TTAAGCTTCATATGTCCCCCTACTCGACGACCAC (SEQ ID NO:2);

eryAIII right flank, forward:

5'-TTTGGATCCGGCGGAGGGAATACATGACCACGAC (SEQ ID NO:3),

eryAIII right flank, reverse:

5'-TTT*GAATTC*CCGCTCGCTGAAGTCCAGGCT (SEQ ID NO:4).--

Paragraph [65] beginning at page 24 has been amended as follows:

S. erythraea K24-1 contains a chromosomal deletion of the three *eryA* genes and insertion of the *attB* locus for the *Streptomyces* phage phiC31 from *Streptomyces* lividans, followed by the *ermE** promoter in their place. To make this strain, plasmid pKOS134-04 was first constructed as follows. The phiC31 *attB* site was inserted between the *Hin*d III and *Bam*H I sites of pKOS97-49a using the following two annealed oligonucleotides:
forward:

5'-AGCTTCGGGTGCCAGGGCGTGCCCTTGGGCTCCCCGGGCGCGTAA-CTAGTG (SEQ ID NO:5), and

reverse:

5'-GATCCACTAGTTACGCGCCCGGGGAGCCCAAGGGCACGCCCTGG-CACCCGA (SEQ ID NO:6).

This plasmid was designated pKOS024-87. Plasmid pKOS0134-04 was made by inserting a ~300 bp *Nhe*I/*Bam*HI fragment containing the *ermE** promoter between the resulting *Spe*I and *Bam*HI sites of pKOS024-87.